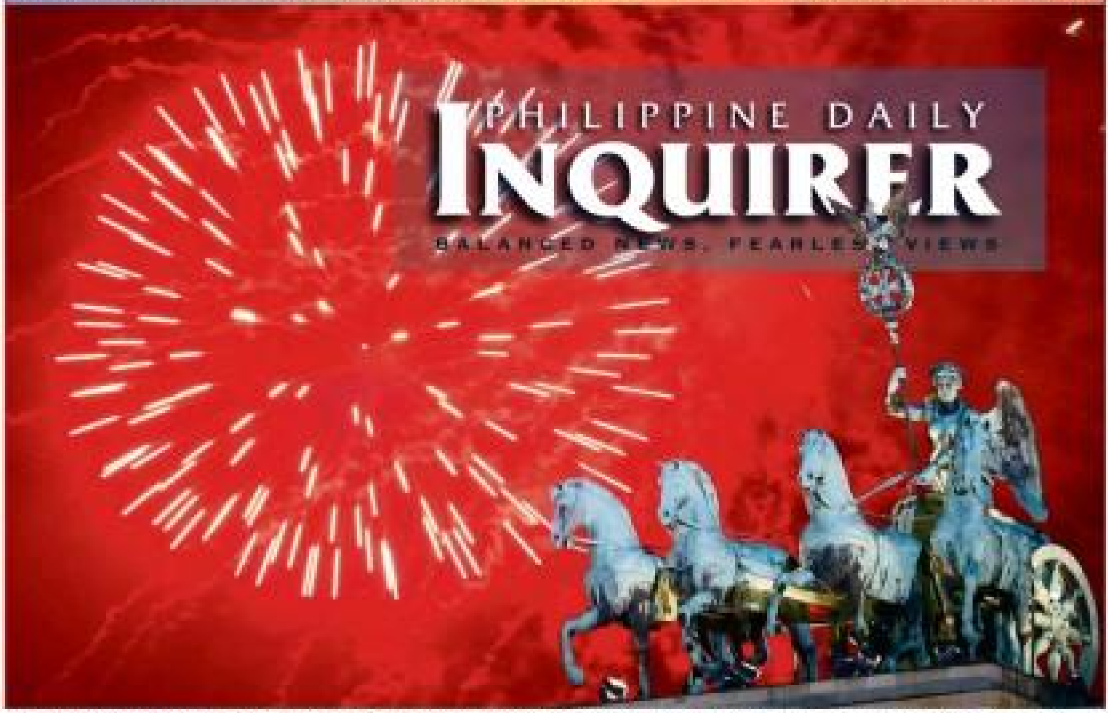
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BRIGHT, BRAVE NEW YEAR Shortly after midnight on Sunday, the Goddess of Victory at the Brandenburg Gate in Berlin seems to be steering her chariot into a brave new year brightened by the exquisite fireworks. Fireworks ignited the world as it welcomed another new year. AP

UST: CJ earned Ph.D

Numbers drop but 'crackers, bullets still hurt 500

World holds parties to welcome New Year

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By Jocelyn R. Uy and Inquirer Bureaus

HEALTH authorities yesterday were [illegible]

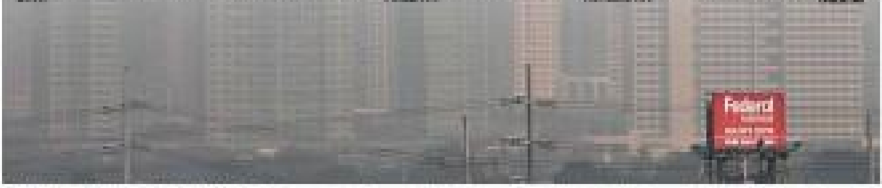
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Thick smog forces Naia to divert, cancel flights

By Kristine L. Alave

AIRPORT officials had to cancel and divert planes [illegible]

THICK/A6



THE MORNING AFTER THE NIGHT BEFORE Smog triggered by the fireworks and firecracker explosions during the New Year celebration that thick, as to obscure the Makati City skyline on the first day of 2012. The smog prompted airport authorities to cancel and/or divert several flights on Sunday morning at the Naia. [illegible]

University denies rules broken to favor Corona

By Lira R. Zulueta

THE UNIVERSITY of Santo Tomas (UST) has denied it broke academic rules when it granted a doctorate in law, summa cum laude, to Chief Justice Renato Corona reportedly even without a dissertation and urged the press not to drag institutions like UST to the impeachment controversy.

"There is no truth to the allegation that the University of Santo Tomas broke its rules to favor Chief Justice Renato Corona who graduated with the degree of Doctor of Laws from the University," UST said in a statement. It added that Corona had enrolled in all of the requisite subjects leading to the doctorate, attended his classes,

UST/A6

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CDO mayor faces brewing protest storm

By Mocort Pastrano and Danni Adorador III
Contributors

CAGAYAN DE ORO—A storm is brewing that threatens the hold on power of Mayor Vicente "Dongkoy" Y. Emano, who is accused of not taking action despite storm warnings and of mishandling relief operations in the aftermath of the devastation caused by Tropical Storm "Sendong."

Concerned residents here took to the pulpit over the weekend to discuss the state of the city after a concelebrated Mass at St. Augustine Metropolitan Cathedral officiated by Archbishop Antonio Ledesma, SJ.

They then led churchgoers on a peaceful march on the Misamis Oriental Capitol Park to protest the way the city government was handling the calamity.

Sen. Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III [illegible]

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Emano fast-tracks relocation of 'Sendong' victims / A17

New year of skepticism over P-Noy intentions

By Amando Doronila

THE NEW YEAR portends [illegible]

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UN body fears 'baby boom' in CDO, Iligan

By Jerry E. Esplanada

PEOPLE find ways to do it especially in difficult times.

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The UN Office for the Coordination of [illegible]

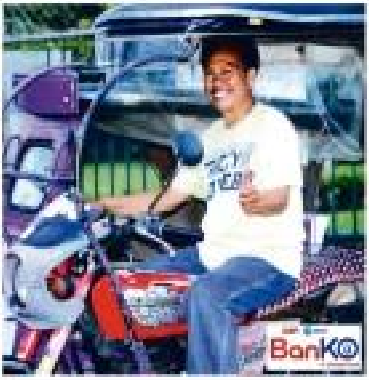
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THE SENATE is not under any pressure to complete the impeachment trial of Chief Justice Renato Corona, which begins on Jan. 16, within a

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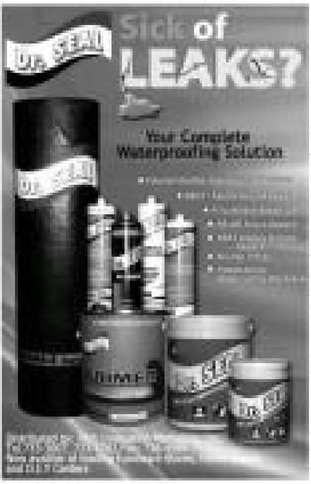


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Respect rights of suspect in Fr. Pops' killing—bishop



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Biazon mulls over China visit





















Ransom sought for Aussie

POEA chief seeks ouster with dignity, while OFW group wants him to stay

Extremely grateful

Little things

Australia least explored

56 OFWs return from Syria

Aliens must report to BI offices

Rizal remembered around the world



Pagcor urged to give game to PCSO

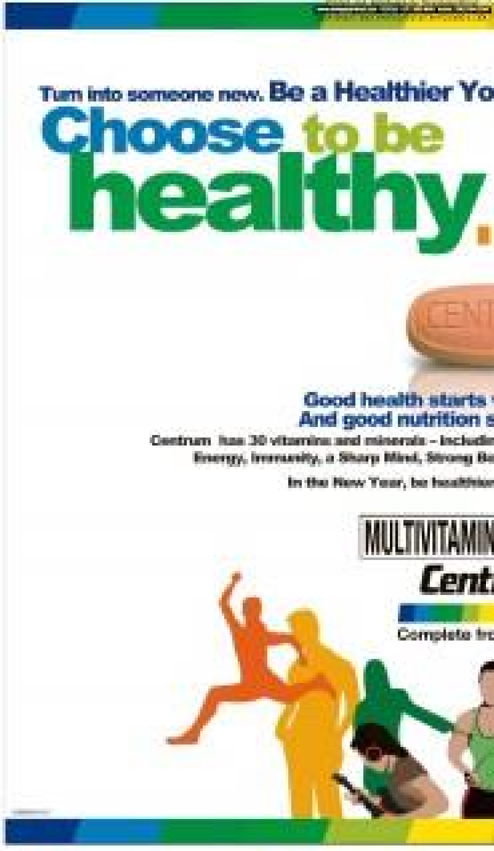
HIV cases rose 89% in November—DOH

By Philip C. Tubeza

Heavy rain, flood warnings aired over parts of Mindanao

UN help sought on media killings

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Quick questions for the Senate as jury

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Rebuilding a battered city

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Arroyo camp trying hard to get people's sympathy

Court decisions for sale now the norm?

Doro now a rebel without a cause

Conferment of CES eligibility last Oct. 11, not exam

The streets of 2012

World View



Across the NATION

Senate asked again to probe disaster

By Christine O. Avendaño

ASTOUNDED by the "tsunami" of water and mud that swept and killed more than 1,000 people in Cagayan de Oro and Iligan Cities last month, Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile said yesterday he would ask the Senate energy committee to look into the possibility that the heavy flooding in the cities were caused by the release of waters in government-run hydroelectric power plants there.

NEWSBRIEFS

QUEZON

Deadly sleep

AURORA

3 drown

MASBATE

Pa killer hunted

Bus kills porter



BACOLOD SPARK

In Pampanga town, cross-dressers are New Year stars

HOMETOWN Snapshot





MONTALLANA

P-Noy failure on disasters, says priest

By Delfin Mallari Jr.
Inquirer Southern Luzon

Numbers drop but 'crackers, bullets still hurt 500



MAKATI SPECTACLE A spectacular fireworks display welcomes the New Year at the financial capital of the Philippines on Sunday.

Caused by legal fireworks

Stray bullet injuries

Stray bullets

Random paraffin tests

The regions

Donations instead of blasts

Noticeable drop

Most number of victims

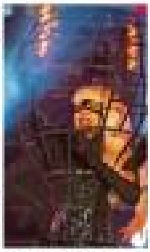
World holds parties to welcome New Year: '2012 has to be better'



LONDON Fireworks explode over the Houses of Parliament, including St. Stephen's Tower which holds the bell known as Big Ben as London celebrates the arrival of New Years Day.



SHANGHAI People watch fireworks set off to celebrate the New Year at a party in Shanghai, China.



NEW YORK Lady Gaga performs during the New Year's Eve celebration in Times Square in New York.

'2012 has to be better'

Benedict's prayers

Like a big party

Celebrities host parties

Americans optimistic

CDO mayor faces brewing protest storm



WHERE'S THE MAYOR? Cagayan de Oro Archbishop Antonio Ledesma (center at left) and Social Welfare Secretary Dinky Soliman (standing) meet at the bishop's house to discuss relief operations for victims of Tropical Storm "Sendong." Ledesma convened the multisectoral initiative because of an alleged lack of central direction from the city mayor.



Account for donations

Gambling story

Warnings not heeded

Iligan task force

Multisectoral initiative

Constitutional limit

'Laziest' official

Corruption charges

Emano fast-tracks relocation of 'Sendong' victims

Why bodies at landfill

Long process

'Baby boom' in Cagayan de Oro, Iligan worries UN body

Reproductive health kits

Food aid

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Learning environment

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SPORTS

Special CBA recognition for SSC five

By Jasmine W. Payo



SAN SEBASTIAN'S Calvin Abueva tries to steal the ball away from Ateneo's Greg Slaughter during a PCCL match last year.

PH chessers bag 4 golds in Singapore



Bitoon 2nd in Campomanes Cup

PBA stars from Ateneo, La Salle clash Feb. 5

By Jasmine W. Payo

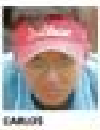


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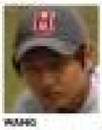


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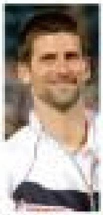
Tough Amateur Open race expected at CGCC



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Djokovic routs Ferrer; Clijsters off to big start

Clijsters' winning start

Murray taps Lendl

Manchester United suffers home defeat



Bynum returns, sparks Lakers past Nuggets

Hacktball gets new deal

Sports 2012: Time for action based on reflection

ONE GAME AT A TIME

Sev Sarmenta







So-Amistad duel kicks off Andrada age-group tennis


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POLICE RECORDS: 8 DEAD FROM STRAY BULLETS, SHOOTING AND STABBING INCIDENTS

Hardly a peaceful start for 2012

By Jaymee T. Gamil

IT WAS HARDLY a peaceful start of the new year in two Metro Manila cities with police reporting at least eight people getting killed either by stray bullets, shooting or stabbing incidents.

Big surprise

2 fires greet New Year in Pasay City

By Miko Morelos



Perez case likely suicide–probers

Hardly a peaceful start for 2012





No firecrackers, just prayers and meals to greet New Year



Thieves take P2M from QC house

The WORLD

N. Korea calls for 'human shields' to protect new leader



KIM JONG-UN

US imposes new sanctions on Iran



Iraq celebrates US troops departure



Man with explosives held at Texas airport

Yemen's Saleh opts to stay home

Syria opposition fears failure of Arab mission

WorldBriefs

Nigeria declares state of emergency

Cars, homes ablaze in arson spree in LA

Strong earthquake jolts Japan

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BUSINESS

PH seen to expand, withstand turbulent '12

Government expects economy to grow 5.5% by year's end

THE PHILIPPINE economy this 2012 will likely grow at a faster pace than the previous year, supported by stable interest rate as well as consumer spending that derives strength from the billions of dollars sent home by millions of overseas Fili-

Stocks poised to continue climb for 4th straight year

YEARENDER

INDICATORS

PESO-DOLLAR RATE

43.840



STOCK MARKET

35.33

Market appears upbeat

WINNING WITH THE BIG BOYS

PLDT WINS COVETED CARRIER ETHERNET INTERNATIONAL AWARDS







Impact of financial crisis seen to persist in 3-5 yrs

Asia-Pacific members appear more optimistic

PNOC-EC to put up 2 power plants

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Longer trading day

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Low interest rates seen to cut into bank profits

Continuing demand for loans may pick up the slack, says BSP

The case of the missing IRA

BREAKTIME



Conrado R. Banal III

Gov't to spend ₱35.9B on irrigation in 2012

Feedwheat imports on the upswing

Tampakan firms to sell excess power

BUSINESS

Construction of Clark budget terminal seen starting this year

Planned facility designed to handle 10 million passengers a year

PH likely to hit $1.4B mine investment goal

Oil import bill up 27%

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Globe training program wins big in first-ever PSTD Gawad Maestro Awards



Receiving the citation during the awarding ceremonies held at the Manila Diamond Hotel are members of the Globe Learning Management Team led by Samuel Ramos, Head of Globe University (right).

People, Events & Products

LTE technology to grow 3400% in the next 4 years

Devices on the rise

A pioneer in Southeast Asia

LTE for all

Bits & Clips

Yupangco Electronics Corp. presents 'Sound Fusion'



PHINMA PROPERTIES SIGNS P1.5B CORPORATE NOTES

GLOBE, AYALA MALLS SET UP VIPINOY LOUNGE



New Foton ETX Tractor Head hits RP market

People, Events & Products

PLDT WiFi Zone offers network to stay connected in city spots

McDonald's first to heed call for i-rEcover, i-rEcycle project



First Metro kicks-off "Stock X Challenge"

Business protocol seminar

Grand reunion to highlight Capitol Jaycees golden year



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BUSINESS Monday

TO MAKE FIRMS STRONGER

What government should prioritize in 2012

By Tina Arceo-Dumlao

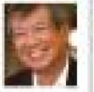
THE NEW YEAR gives individuals and corporations an auspicious time to start anew and be filled with that spirit to make some serious and needed changes.

In an informal survey of some of the country's leading corporate leaders, Business Monday asked what actions they want the government to prioritize this year and what they plan to do in their companies to make them stronger and more profitable.

Destination of choice



Fastrack PPP projects



Accelerate PPP products

Think big, act bigger

Embrace entrepreneurial spirit

Leverage communications

Execute priorities

Spend more

Examine airports



Fix infrastructure for economy

Eliminate corruption



Make bureaucracy more IT friendly

Why our mining laws are ineffective

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Failure of mining

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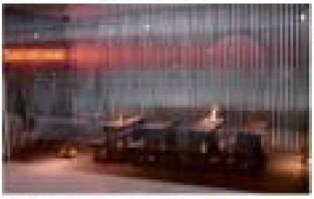




Notable art events of 2011

By Lito B. Zulueta

FROM RONALD Ventura becoming the biggest-selling contemporary Southeast Asian artist when his painting "Grayground" sold for US$1.1 million, 24 times its original high estimate, during the Sotheby's auction, to 21-year-old Rodel Tapaya beating 14 older and more established artists to win the Grand Prix in the Asia Pacific Breweries Foundation Signature Art Prize, 2011 was another watershed year for the Philippine art. Here are other ongoing developments in Philippine art for the year.



NEW installation by Roberto Chabet at Finale Gallery

Chabet, Father of Conceptualism, consolidates his influence

A yearlong series of shows in the Philippines and around the region marked 50 years of artmaking of Roberto Chabet, arguably the most influential art pedagogue since National Artist Victorio Edades. In his practice and teaching, Chabet has done for Conceptual Art what Edades had done for Modern Art in the Philippines.

Organized by King Kong Art Projects Unlimited, "Chabet: 50 Years" sat at the Institute of Contemporary Arts Singapore, which brought together for the first time several of

NOTABLE C3







More than 50 Disney characters skate way to kids' hearts











Ortigas to spend P3-billion in new Greenhills tower





Greenhills redevelopment plan



Notable art events of 2011

3rd edition of ManilArt fair a success



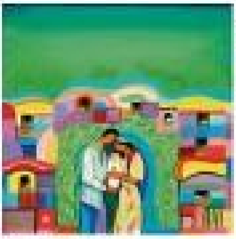
Ortiz's 'QuattroMondial' unveiled on UST's 400th year



Picasso suite in Manila



Baldemor's 'Celebrations' at Power Plant



"BINYAG," at right, "[illegible]"



GALLERY BIG celebrates the New Year by presenting "Celebrations," a solo exhibit of 30 paintings by Manuel Baldemor at The Power Plant Mall in Rockwell, Makati, Jan. 1-15.

This colorful collection of mixed-media works on canvas depicts the various festivals, customs, family celebrations based in the country and captures the jovial spirit of such events.



"PAETE Fiesta"

It is the artist's perennial favorite in terms of subject. His rendition of these festivities has inspired an entire genre of Philippine folk art.

For three decades, Baldemor's works have been so popular and so closely associated with Philippine art that they have come to define what it looks like, especially to those who hail from abroad.

Images of his works constantly appear in calendars, notebooks, [illegible] greeting cards, international magazines such as Reader's Digest, and other corporate publications. From billboards and public posters have used his images to help convey their respective messages.

His artworks adorn countless hotel lobbies, libraries, museums, corporate headquarters, function halls, public spaces and private homes here and abroad.

At 64, this prolific artist has achieved so much in terms of acclaim, through local and international exhibitions, awards and distinctions, and has maintained a respected presence on the Philippine art scene.

Browsing through "Celebrations" is like watching a feel-good movie about the simple joys of rural Philippines and its wonderful traditions—only much better because this show leaves a lot of room for the imagination to play with and the "feel good" feeling lingers much longer, which is a great way to start the New Year.

For inquiries, call Gallery BIG at [illegible] or e-mail [illegible]

SUNPIOLOGY 2012

Rave for the arts, raise funds for education

By Joel V. [illegible]

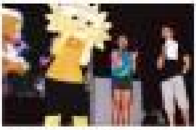
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Benefit Exhibit

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Birthday Gift

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Race with the Sun

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Sun Life Phils Pres. & CEO Riza Mantaring and [illegible] Pido Pascual unveil the "Panoramic Portraits" with the help of Pido's nephew [illegible]



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José Rizal's oracular game divines P-Noy's romantic future: 'You will do better not marrying'


THE AUTHOR with Gemma Cruz Araneta

Text and photos by Bibsy M. Carballo

Gemma Cruz Araneta and Rizal descendants publish the National Hero's 'Haec Est Sibylla Cumana'—'a panorama of Filipino thought, customs, interests and practices at the end of 19th-century Filipinas. They are also mostly irreverent, risqué and downright funny, a revelation of Rizal's unfailing sense of humor'—Chitang Nakpil

José Rizal's oracular game divines...





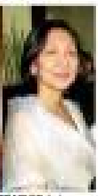


Madrid exhibit pays tribute to Rizal the writer

















Questions and answers

Hilarious game

A French 'café-concert' in the financial district











2011 Namcya winners bared

Solo instrument winners

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A French 'café-concert'. . .


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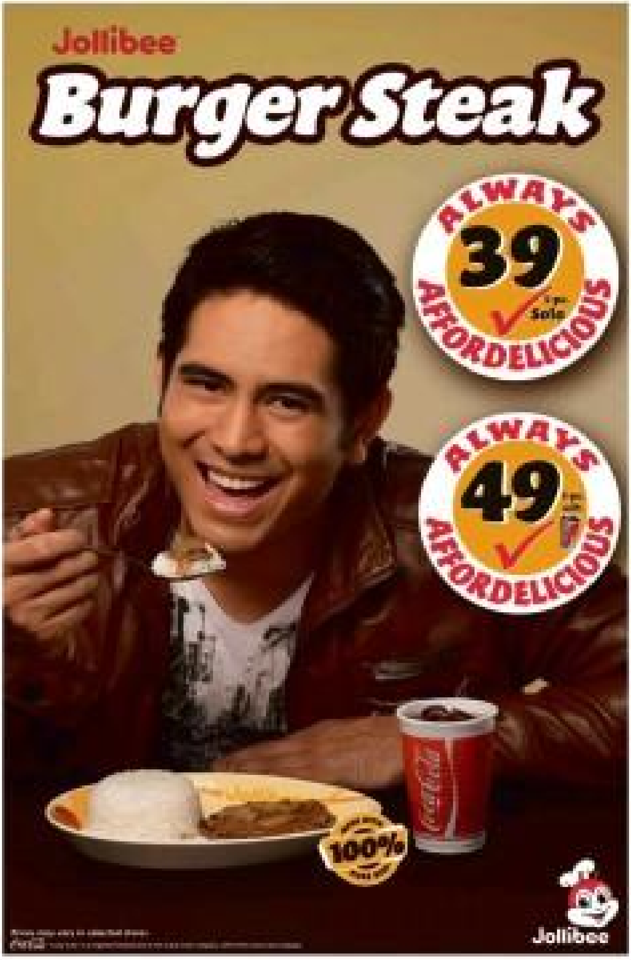




2011, year of the 'tweet'

Mayhem, murder and malfeasance rocked the scene, as hecklers and enablers took to the Net to unleash their two centavos' worth of opinion











2011, year of the 'twee



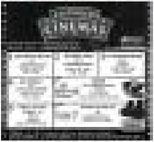








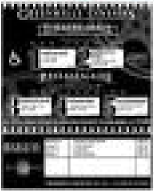





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End of things

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Feminist undertones

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Scholarships



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TV host finds it hard to forgive

Big boss' choice



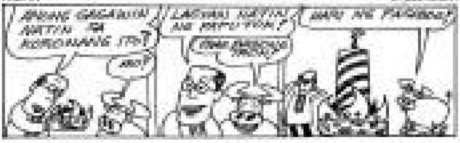




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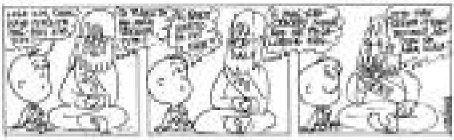


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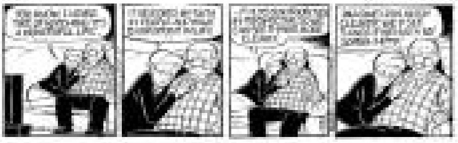
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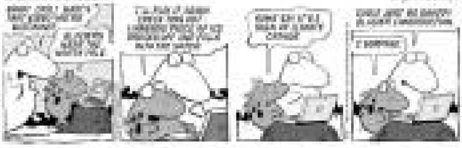
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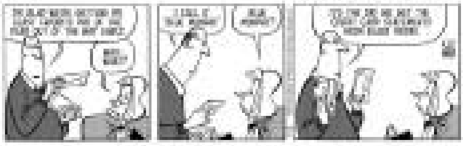
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CONCEPTIS SUDOKU

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

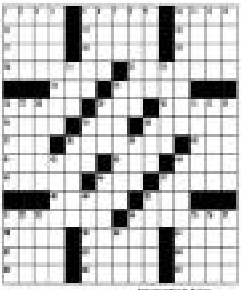
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Conceptis Sudoku

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Difficulty Level ★

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



‘Septic’ team ready for Berlinale

Writer, director and actress are thrilled to be gracing film’s red carpet preem in this ‘major, major fest’

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Fear of the cold

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If 2011 were a song… we ask some stars

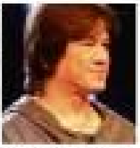
Dolly Wood

Dolly Anne Carvajal













Scent of survival–no bathrooms

Final nine get down and dirty on this far-flung island of betrayal

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‘The Road’ among year’s best

Cheek Factor



TV host finds it hard...




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TUNAY NA PAGBABAGO
TEMPTATION ISLAND
TV 5
TUNAY NA PANALO!
TUNAY NA TUWA. TUNAY NA LUHA. TUNAY NA BUHAY.
Mga reality shows na tunay mong aabangan sa Bagong Taon!



A Multifaceted Community





A Vibrant Street Life





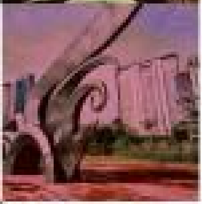








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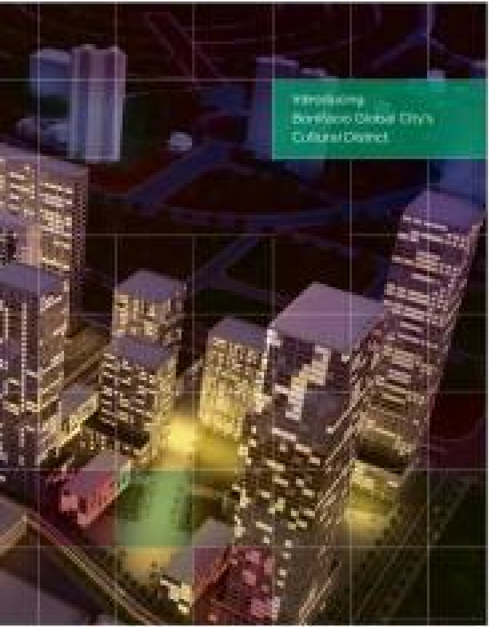




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